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1. Request for Continued Examination;
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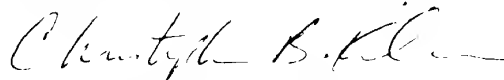
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. The submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is submitted herewith in the form of an Amendment. A check for the RCE fee of \$770.00 (37 C.F.R. 1.17(e)) is enclosed herewith. The Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to charge any necessary fees, and conversely, deposit any credit balance, to Deposit Account No. 18-1579.

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